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EVANS told Customs Agent DUNNING that after receiving Dr. WILLIAM W. WEISBERG's letter of 9/27/55, he had talked to him by telephone on 9/30/55. The doctor had told him that the arms inspector for the Argentine group was out of the country at that time but would be back the following Sunday or Monday. Dr. WEISBERG also said that the group was interested in small arms which could be concealed but which possessed a great deal of fire power such as light machine guns. EVANS stated that on Monday evening, 10/3/55, he again called Dr. WEISBERG and attempted to ascertain the source of his funds. WEISBERG told him that he had all the money he would need at his disposal but refused to furnish him any details. EVANS then discontinued the conversation and has not heard from Dr. WEISBERG since.

Customs Agent DUNNING stated that EVANS is an associate of THEODORE G. VON ZELINSKY, age 25, 1507 M Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., who, about November 1954, tried to sell a large quantity of Sten guns, Schneissers, and Thompson sub-machine guns which were held at the Free Trade Zone, Port of New York, to IRVING DAVIDSON, Wyatt Building, Washington, D. C. These guns were allegedly destined for the Nicaraguan government. However, the transaction was never completed.

Enclosed also for the Bureau is a photostat of an article appearing in DREW PEARSON's column in the "Washington Post and Times Herald" of 9/20/55, pertaining to EVANS and an alleged attempt by him to sell arms to the Egyptians.

Also enclosed is a photostat of an article allegedly from the Manchester, N.H. "Union Leader" of 6/4/51, and an article allegedly from the Pittston, Pa. "Sunday Dispatch" of 6/3/51, both of which allegedly were inserted in the Congressional Record. Customs Agent DUNNING stated that the originals of all of these enclosures were made available to him by WILLIAM H. EVANS, JR.

A photostat of the letter of 9/27/55 from WEISBERG to EVANS is enclosed for the Detroit Office for its information inasmuch as WEISBERG resides in that field office territory.

No active investigation will be conducted relative to WEISBERG and EVANS unless the Bureau so requests. Liaison will be maintained with U. S. Customs at NYC and any further pertinent information in this matter will be immediately forwarded to the Bureau.

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PHOENIX INTERNATIONAL COMPANY, INC.
REGISTRATION ACT

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There is enclosed one copy of a self-explanatory memorandum from the Internal Security Division of the Department dated September 27, 1955, regarding captioned organization. There is also enclosed one copy of this memorandum for WFO.

You should immediately institute the necessary investigation in order to arrive at a determination as to whether the captioned Company or any of its officers are required to register with the Department under the terms of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended.

It is noted that the Washington Field office is in possession of considerable background data regarding captioned Company's Vice-President, Mr. William Henry Evans, Jr. Mrs. Henrietta Seltzer, a public stenographer of 1005 Bonifant Street, Silver Spring, Maryland, advised the Washington Field office on 8/31/55 that the captioned Company uses the address "P.O. Box 115, College Park, Maryland." The WFO should immediately review its files on the captioned Company and on Evans and furnish all pertinent material to Baltimore.

Please handle this matter promptly and submit reports suitable for dissemination.

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TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: September 27, 1955

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FROM : William F. Tompkins, Assistant Attorney General
Internal Security Division

SUBJECT: PHOENIX INTERNATIONAL COMPANY, Inc.
Registration Act.

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In the column known as "The Washington Merry-Go-Round" by Drew Pearson, appearing in the Washington Post and Times-Herald for September 21, 1955, and in a previous column, information was set forth with respect to the shipment of arms to certain Arab countries by the Phoenix International Company. These columns also contained what were purported to be copies of letters addressed to the Syrian Embassy offering for sale munitions of war to the Government of Syria.

It is requested that investigation be instituted to determine whether Phoenix International Company or its vice-president, Mr. W. H. Evans, Jr., has entered into any contractual agreement or arrangement with any foreign country looking toward the purchase and sale of munitions of war. This information is desired in order to arrive at a determination as to whether the Company or any of its officers is required to register with the Attorney General under the terms of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: October 14, 1955

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SUBJECT: PHOENIX INTERNATIONAL COMPANY, INC.
REGISTRATION ACT
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ReBulet September 30, 1955, in captioned case and Bulet dated October 4, 1955, in case entitled, "ISINT," in which WFO was requested to furnish Baltimore all pertinent information concerning WILLIAM HENRY EVANS, Jr., and subject company.

For the information of Baltimore, on July 12, 1955, Major General JULIAN S. HATCHER directed a letter to the Bureau relating two visits he had by W. H. EVANS in connection with the latter's attempt to learn sources of supply for surplus firearms.

Enclosed herewith for Baltimore is a copy of a four page blank memorandum which covers in detail the visits of EVANS to General HATCHER and Colonel E. H. HARRISON.

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"The Washington Post and Times Herald" on September 20 and 21, 1955, carried articles by DREW PEARSON under the caption of "Washington Merry-Go-Round." The September 20, 1955, article stated that a broker, W. H. EVANS, Jr., of the Phoenix International Co., College Park, Md., had written letters to the Egyptian Embassy trying to sell a long list of firearms ranging from 1800 British Sten guns to 140 German machine guns. A copy of one of these letters to the Egyptian Embassy was set out. The letter, not dated, was signed "W. H. Evans, Jr., Vice-President and Resident Agent" and offered for sale the above guns and parts. The article published on September 21, 1955, carried a letter addressed to Mrs. DOUD, Office of Military Attache of the Egyptian Embassy, in which EVANS said that invoices requested were being enclosed. The article indicated the slogan of the Phoenix International Co. was "Implements of War Our Specialty." Neither of the letters bore a date and the articles appear to have been written in complaint of the failure of the State Department to publicize what arms were being sold by private brokers.

WFO files fail to reflect any further pertinent information concerning The Phoenix International Co. and WILLIAM HENRY EVANS, Jr., in addition to that previously furnished to Baltimore by the Bureau.

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On October 13, 1955, Mrs. VILDA ELDRED, Foreign Agents Registration Section, Department of Justice, advised SA WALTON O. CONE that her files fail to reflect that EVANS or the Phoenix International Co. are registered as agents of a foreign principal. RUC.

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TITLE: PHOENIX INTERNATIONAL COMPANY, INC.			CHARACTER OF CASE: REGISTRATION ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Maryland State Tax Commission records reflect that subject company incorporated in the State of Maryland on April 1, 1954, with WILLIAM HENRY EVANS, JR. listed as the resident agent. As of October 13, 1955, neither the subject company nor EVANS had registered with the Foreign Agents Registration Section, Department of Justice. T-1 advised on 10/20/55 that [redacted] T-2 advised on 10/24/55 [redacted] T-3 advised on 10/19/55 that the mailing address of the subject company is maintained by EVANS. Background information regarding EVANS set forth. b7D

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DETAILS: AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

This investigation is predicated on DREW PEARSON's "Washington Merry-Go-Round" Column which appeared in the "Washington Post and Times Herald," Washington, D. C., on 9/20/55. The column was entitled "Broker Offers Egyptians Arms Deal." Published in the column is an allegedly secret letter

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directed to the Military Attache, Embassy of Egypt, Tracy Place, NW, Washington, D. C., from W. H. EVANS, JR. Vice-President and Resident Agent, Phoenix International Company, Inc., College Park, Maryland. The letter quotes prices of British sten guns, German machine guns, and weapons' accessories.

I. FORMATION

On 10/28/55 SA LLOYD F. LOUX, JR. reviewed a photostat of the Articles of Incorporation for Phoenix International Company, Inc. maintained at the Office of the Maryland State Tax Commission, 31 Light Street, Baltimore, Maryland. These articles contain the following information:

A. INCORPORATORS

1. LAWRENCE T. GRISWOLD
2. WILLIAM HENRY EVANS, JR.
3. PATRICIA GRISWOLD
4. AASE OLAV EVANS

All of the above individuals listed their business addresses as 5412 56th Place, East Riverdale, Maryland.

B. PURPOSE OF INCORPORATION

1. To operate as a consulting agency on military and foreign affairs.
2. To engage in the exportation and importation of arms, ammunition, and implements of war as permitted by law.
3. Generally, to enjoy all the powers and rights granted to or conferred upon corporations by the laws of the State of Maryland now or hereinafter in force.

C. The articles of Incorporation name WILLIAM HENRY EVANS as the resident agent.

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D. The articles state there shall be four directors, which number may be increased or decreased pursuant to the bylaws of the association; but there shall never be less than three directors. The articles name the incorporators as the directors until the first annual meeting, at which time their successors shall be chosen.

E. The articles were signed and witnessed on 3/31/54, approved by the State Tax Commission on 4/1/54, and recorded in Liber 455, Folio 174, of the State Tax Commission.

II. REGISTRATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

On 10/13/55 Mrs. ~~VERA OLDRED~~ ULDA ELDRED, Foreign Agents Registration Section, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., advised SA WALTON O. CONE that her files failed to reflect that EVANS or the Phoenix International Company, Inc. are registered as agents of a foreign principal.

III. FINANCES

Confidential Informant T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on October 20, 1955, that the [redacted] b7D T-1 said that the [redacted] T-1 said that with the above exception [redacted] T-1 continued that this [redacted]. T-1 said that [redacted]

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Confidential Informant T-2, who is in a position to furnish information of record, advised on 10/24/55 [redacted] b7D

T-2 said [redacted]

Information in this report attributed to T-1 and T-2 is not to be made public except through the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum. T-2 has furnished reliable information in the past.

IV. MAILING ADDRESS

Confidential Informants T-1 and T-2 above both advised that the [redacted] b7D

Confidential Informant T-3, who is in a position to furnish information of record, advised on 10/19/55 that Post Office Box 115, College Park, Maryland, is rented by WILLIAM HENRY EVANS, JR., 5412 56th Place, East Riverdale, Maryland. AASF OLAV EVANS is also entitled to receive mail from this box. T-3 said that the mail from this box is allowed to accumulate for periods up to two weeks and repeated notices placed in the box requesting that parcels be claimed have gone unanswered. T-3 has furnished reliable information in the past.

V. CREDIT RECORDS

Records of the Washington, D. C., Credit Bureau, Inc., reviewed on 10/19/55 by SE NICKOLAS MANFREDA (WFO) reflect that the Phoenix International Company, Inc. maintains Post Office Box 115, College Park, Maryland. WILLIAM HENRY EVANS, JR. is reportedly the Vice-President. The records reflect that all efforts to locate the firm or the nature of the operation have been unsuccessful. Requests directed to the company to call the Credit Bureau have not been answered.

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VI. WILLIAM HENRY EVANS, JR. - RESIDENT AGENT

The Articles of Incorporation for Phoenix International Company, Inc. list WILLIAM HENRY EVANS, JR., 5412 56th Place, East Riverdale, Maryland, as resident agent of the company.

A. BACKGROUND

The following background information was obtained from the Washington, D. C., Credit Bureau, Inc. and personnel records of the Naval Ordnance Laboratory, White Oak, Maryland, made available by WILLIAM HARRY GOULD, Civilian Deputy to the Security Officer on 10/19/55, unless otherwise indicated.

1. Birth and Citizenship

EVANS was born 1/2/24 at Annapolis, Maryland. He is a United States citizen by birth.

2. Marital Status

EVANS is married [redacted] She is reportedly [redacted] (Credit Bureau Report) b6 b7C b7E

3. Education

1938-1942	Annapolis High School Annapolis, Maryland
1942-1943	Cochran Bryan Prep School Annapolis, Maryland
1943-1944	Duke University Durham, North Carolina (Navy V-12 Program)
1944-1948	U. S. Naval Academy Annapolis, Maryland B.S. Degree - 6/4/48

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4. Residences

a. Current

On 11/4/55 JAMES C. FINNEY, Resident Manager, Northwest Park Apartments, Silver Spring, Maryland, advised that EVANS currently resides at 741 Northampton Drive, Silver Spring, Maryland.

b. Past

1924-1951	Edgewater, Maryland
1951-1955	5412 56th Place East Riverdale, Maryland

On 10/31/55 Mrs. FLORENCE BILLINGS, Resident Manager, Templeton Apartments, East Riverdale, Maryland, advised that EVANS vacated his apartment at 5412 56th Place on 5/31/55 and that he still owes $90.00 rent for the month of May, 1955.

5. Employment

1943-1949	U. S. Navy
1949-1951	Assisting father in research
1951	U. S. Navy
1951-1954	Self employed as researcher and lecturer
4/4/55-7/29/55	Mechanical Engineer Naval Ordnance Laboratory White Oak, Maryland

Mr. PAUL MARTINI, Assistant Technical Director, Naval Ordnance Laboratory, advised on 10/19/55 that EVANS's employment was terminated at the end of his 90-day probation period because of unsatisfactory work.

Confidential Informant T-1 above advised on 10/20/55 that b7D

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6. Military Service

EVANS served in the U. S. Navy from 11/1/43 to 5/29/51 when he was honorably discharged from the Reserves. His Navy serial number was 513024.

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Credit records contain a clipping from the Washington, D.C., "Daily News" dated 5/31/51, which states that EVANS was discharged from the Navy for writing a "contemptuous and intemperate" criticism of the administration.

7. Criminal Record

Mrs. C. M. FERGUSON, Clerk, Prince Georges County Police Department, Seat Pleasant, Maryland, advised on 10/21/55 that WILLIAM HENRY EVANS, JR., 5412 56th Place, East Riverdale, Maryland, was arrested on 2/26/55 and charged with false pretenses.

Lt. LEE PUMPHREY, Detective Bureau, Prince Georges County Police Department, advised on 10/21/55 that the above arrest was based on bad checks passed by EVANS. He said that prosecution was dropped when EVANS made restitution on the checks.

Lt. W. M. WHALEN, Detective Bureau, Montgomery County Police Department, Sub Station, Silver Spring, Maryland, advised on 11/4/55 that WILLIAM HENRY EVANS, JR., 741 Northampton Drive, Silver Spring, Maryland, was arrested on 11/1/55 and charged with false pretenses in that he passed worthless checks. EVANS was released on $1,000 bond and his trial is set for 11/14/55 at Silver Spring, Maryland.

Mrs. DOROTHY BEAVER, Clerk, Montgomery County People's Court, Silver Spring, Maryland, advised on 11/4/55 from records that on 8/18/55 the Northwest Park Apartments obtained a judgment against EVANS for $112.50. This judgment was satisfied on 8/28/55.

On 10/14/55 the Northwest Park Apartments obtained a judgment against EVANS for $112.50 and this judgment was satisfied on 10/14/55.

On 10/28/55 a new judgment was obtained for a like amount because a check given by EVANS to satisfy the judgment on 10/14/55 was not good.

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SA EDWARD L. TIMMERMAN checked records of the Annapolis Police Department, Annapolis, Maryland, on 10/24/55 and the Anne Arundel County Police Department, Ferndale, Maryland, on 10/27/55. No record identifiable with EVANS was located.

8. Credit Record

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Confidential Informant T-2 above advised that [redacted] b7D

Confidential Informant T-1 above advised that [redacted] T-1 continued that it was necessary for [redacted]

9. Miscellaneous

On 7/25/55 Major General JULIAN S. HATCHER and Colonel H. HARRISON, both retired from the U. S. Army and technical advisers of the National Rifle Association of America, 1600 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Washington, D. C., advised SA PATRICK M. RICE that they were contacted in May, 1955, and again on 7/12/55 by W. H. EVANS regarding firearms. On 7/12/55 EVANS asked HARRISON where he could obtain 50,000 carbine .30 caliber M-1 rifles. EVANS stated he was interested in securing these for a friendly foreign government which he did not name. During these contacts, EVANS did not furnish his employer or the persons whom he represented.

On 10/21/55 U. S. Customs Agent DANIEL E. DUNNING, 201 Varick Street, New York City, advised the New York Office of the FBI that on 10/20/55 he had questioned WILLIAM H. EVANS after EVANS had entered the free trade zone of the

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Port of New York to inspect some arms being held there. At this time, EVANS stated that he headed the Phoenix International Company, Inc. EVANS stated that in April and May, 1954, he had sent one LAWRENCE GRISWOLD, 2745 Twenty-ninth Street, NW, Washington, D. C., to Lebanon, Syria, and Jordan, as his representative in an attempt to sell arms to those countries. EVANS advised also that he was presently negotiating with the Egyptian Government in addition to the above mentioned countries relative to the sale of arms.

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Five copies of this report are designated for the Bureau and four for Baltimore in view of the possible future dissemination to Customs and Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit.

This report is classified confidential in view of [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

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An informational copy is being furnished to the New York Office in view of New York letter to the Director, dated 10/24/55, entitled "WILLIAM W. WEISBERG, M.D., NEUTRALITY MATTERS."

An informational c opy is designated for WFO in view of their previous interest in EVANS and the likelihood that WFO will be conducting additional investigation in this case. Inasmuch as EVANS is apparently the main individual active in the subject company, no leads are being set out other than an interview with him at this time. It is believed desirable to interview EVANS before he becomes aware of the investigation. Additional leads will be set forth as required depending on the results of the interviews with EVANS.

INFORMANTS:

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T-2, [redacted]	[redacted]		EDWARD L. TIMMERMAN (orally)	[redacted]
T-3, Mrs. E. A. MALONEY, Post Office, College Park, Maryland (deemed advisable)	Post Office Box 115	10/19/55	MARVEN H. KABERLE	instant rpt

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LEADS:

THE BALTIMORE DIVISION

AT EAST RIVERDALE, MARYLAND

Will, in event Bureau approves, interview WILLIAM HENRY EVANS.

REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Baltimore dated September 30, 1955.
WFO letter to Director dated 10/14/55.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 10/24/55

FROM : SAC, [redacted]

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SUBJECT: WILLIAM W. WEISBERG, M.D.
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

On 10/21/55, U. S. Customs Agent DANIEL E. DUNNING, 201 Varick St., NYC, furnished this office a photostat of a letter written by WILLIAM W. WEISBERG, M.D. to WILLIAM H. EVANS, JR., Phoenix International Company, College Park, Maryland, dated 9/27/55. In this letter WEISBERG stated that he was one of a group in America who had the funds necessary to purchase arms for a counter revolution in behalf of General PERON. He said he would appreciate an opportunity to bid on all types of weapons which EVANS might be able to supply and that his group would make their own arrangements for delivery. He gave his address as 25201 Coolidge Highway, Oak Park (Royal Oak), Michigan.

Customs Agent DUNNING said that he had obtained the original of this letter from WILLIAM H. EVANS, whom he had questioned on 10/20/55 after EVANS and HUDSON C. PRICHARD had entered the Free Trade Zone of the Port of New York to inspect some arms being held.

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DUNNING said that WILLIAM H. EVANS, JR. had stated he was born on 1/2/24 at Annapolis, Maryland, was a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, had Navy Serial #513024, and had received an honorable discharge and had his commission revoked from the U. S. Navy on 5/28/51 under Naval Order 40103. EVANS said this action had resulted because of his criticism of the foreign policy of the TRUMAN administration. EVANS stated that he headed The Phoenix International Company, Inc., P.O. Box 115, College Park, Maryland. He said he had sent LAWRENCE GRISWOLD, 2745 29th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., telephone DE 2-7617, to Lebanon, Syria and Jordan in April and May 1954, as his representative, in an attempt to sell arms to those countries. He said he was also presently negotiating with the Egyptian government in addition to the above mentioned countries relative to the sale of arms.

EVANS stated he resided at 741 North Hamden Drive, Silver Springs, Maryland. He said that his [redacted] was [redacted]

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Reurlet 9-26-55 setting forth data concerning W. H. Evans, Jr., Vice President and Resident Agent for the Phoenix International Company, Inc., College Park, Maryland. ReBulet 9-30-55 to SAC, Baltimore, copies of which were furnished to you captioned "Phoenix International Company, Inc., Registration Act." You will note that Baltimore is origin in the case involving the Phoenix International Company, Inc., and it is therefore requested that you furnish pertinent information as set forth in relet along with other pertinent information regarding Evans and his company to Baltimore.

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Reference is also made to WFO letter 9-26-55 captioned "W. H. Evans, Jr., Miscellaneous - Information Concerning," with which information was furnished regarding Evans. Attached for Baltimore is a carbon copy of this letter and a copy of the blank memorandum attached thereto. This is for your information in connection with your Registration Act case on the Phoenix International Company, Inc.

cc - 2 - Baltimore (Enclosure - 1)

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